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**“INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT”**

APPLICANT: Manfred Wiedemer. CASE NO.: P03,0328  
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INVENTION: **“PRINTING DEVICE AND METHOD TO TRANSFER INK  
ONTO A RECORDING MEDIUM BY USE OF SPARK  
DISCHARGE”**

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the references identified on the attached PTO-1449 form, copies of which are enclosed herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98, be made during the course of examination of the above-mentioned application for United States Patent.

**REMARKS**

Enclosed for the Examiner's review are copies of three prior art references which are cited and discussed in the introductory portion of the present specification. Specifically, copies of EP 0 756 544, WO 01/72518 A1 and U.S. Patent No. 6,270,194 are enclosed.

Also enclosed are copies of references cited in a German Patent Office Action in the corresponding German application, namely, U.S. Patent No. 3,640,214; German Patent 31 36 427; U.S. Patent No. 5,644,342; European Application 0 933 214; and PCT published application WO 95/29063.

Favorable consideration of the present application in view of the enclosed art is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>								
Examiner's Initials		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing Date If appropriate	
	AA	3,640,214	02/08/1972	Scheinhutte				
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	AL	EP 0 756 544 B1	03/18/1998	Europe				x
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